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THE KALININ COTTON COMBINE "PROLETARKA"

	General
1.	Kalinin Cotton Combine (Kalininskiy Klopchato-Bumanhnyy Kombinat "Proletarka"). The combine had no numerical designation. Up to 1953 it was subordinate to the Ministry of Textile Industry. Upon the deactivation of this ministry in 1953, the combine was placed under the Ministry of Light Industry, but it reverted again to the Ministry of Textile Industry, when the latter ministry was reactivated in 1954 or in 1955.
2.	The weaving shop of the combine was located on the south side of Prospekt Kalinina, at No. 51. The combine occupied seven-eight buildings, which were scattered along Prospekt Kalinina and on the south side of the river Tunka. (See point 6, page 15).
3•	The Prospekt Kalinina is Kalinin (N 56-50, E 35-55) as the Pervaya Ulitsa Krasmoy Syobody.
4.	Refer to page 15 , an overlay showing the location of the combine, On the overlay the points 1,2,3,4,8,9, and 10 50X1-HUM are reference points, and the points 5,6, and 7 are illustrated in more detail on page 16 sketch of the combine. 50X1-HUM
	Point 1. Railroad bridge across the Volga river.
	Point 2. Railroad line from Leningrad to Moscow, through Kalinin.
	Point 3. Railroad bridge across the Tunka river.
	Point 4. Tanks river.
	Point 5. TETS power station.
	Point 6. Seven or eight buildings of the combine.
	Point 7. Vehicle and pedestrian bridge across the Tanks river.
	Point 8. Volga river.
	Point 9. Twertsa river.
	Point 10. Railroad station.
5.	This combine existed before W.W.II. It was greatly damaged by fire in hand to hand fighting in W.W.II. Prior to W.W.II, the combine had 4000 mechanical weaving looms, After W.W.II, no immediate effort was made to

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Point 6.	Railroad bridge. Iron bridge about 25 meters long, 10 meters wide used for trains and pedestrians only. TETS Power Station.	
	TETS Power Station. the stati	
	surrounded by a wooden fence about two meters high.	was 50X1-H
	Wooden fence, about two meters high.	
oint 8.	Warehouse. Three-story, red brick building, dimension used to store the finished bolts of cloth from the Kalifextile Combine. Only warehouse workers or those conductational business (requiring a pass) were admitted to storage building.	inin uotina
	One or two guards patrolled this area at all time	50X1-H
oint 9.	Finished factories. Three buildings, each two or three high, red brick, about 100 meters long and 50 meters will	e stories ide.
	One building contained the trimming and ble	saching 50X1-H
	The second building contained the dyeing/prin	ating
	In the third building cloth was measured, fol sorted, wrapped in bolts, and prepared for shipment to the warehouse, shown as point 8 above, or directly to a in Kalimin and in the Kalimin Oblast.	atthan
det 10.	Gate. Employees and trucks entered the fenced areas of and finishing factories at this point. Two guards were gate at all times, one for checking the passes of the a the other one for checking incoming and outgoing vehicl	at the
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- Point 15. Weaving Factory. One-story, white brick building, approximately 300 to 400 meters long and 200 to 300 meters wide. The roof was multigabled, one side of the gabled surface was of skylight glass, the other side of tim. The building had a window at every three meters of well space and was clean, siry, well lighted and heated. The weaving shops had machinery for insuring ventilation and controlling humidity, since the proper atmosphere was necessary for better weaving results because threads tore more easily if they were too dry. The building had the following sections:
 - a. Entrance. The entrance was at No. 51 Prospekt Kalinina. An unarmed female guard checked the passes of all employees entering and leaving the plant.
 - b. First aid station. This section was composed of two small rooms, one used as the office and treatment room, the other one for a restroom. A nurse was always in attendance at this dispensary.
 - c. Offices. This section had three offices, one for the management, one for bookkeeping, one for planning and labor production. The management office had a separate room for the combine director and his secretary, and in the remainder of the area there were deaks for the chiefs of the eight shops (described below) of the weaving factory. Located in the bookkeeping office were the chief bookkeeper, time keepers, and personnel and office clerks, a total of about 10 people. In the planning and labor production office were 15 people. This staff was composed of one supervisor, four women who figured the norm for each worker, kept records on proposed and actual production of each worker, and determined the piece rate for each meter of woven cloth.
 - d. Restrooms, dressing rooms, showers, toilets.
 - e. Weaving shops. This area contained 3500 weaving looms, divided for better supervision into six separate shops. One shop had 500 looms for weaving cloth 1.42 meters wide. These looms were about 1.60 meters long, and 1.50 meters wide. The wide looms made 150 strokes a minute. The other five shops each had 600 weaving looms for the manufacture of cloth either 60 centimeters or 80 centimeters wide. These looms were 1.20 meters long and one meter wide. The narrow looms ran at the speed of 200 strokes a minute. The weaving looms were placed in long rows, two looms back to back. The individual weaving shops were separated by corridors four meters wide, which went from north to south. There was an aisle of one-half meter between each row of two looms from north to south, and about 75 centimeters from west to east. In 1951 or 1952 a new ventilation system and a

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humidifier were installed in the weaving shops. The humidity was kept between 75 - 80 percent. One weaving shop still had 600 old mechanical pre-war looms which required one weaver for every four to eight looms. One weaver could attend from eight to twenty of the remaining 2900 automatic looms, with an average of one weaver for 12 looms. The six shops are shown on the sketch as el, e2, e3, e4, e5, e6. Each of the six weaving shops had about one humired people on each shift. Besides the 50 to 60 women weavers, there were assigned to each shop about five mechanics for preventive maintenance, five to ten men to push handcarts with spools of thread, five to ten men to take away the woven cloth, five apprentices, cleaning personnel, women to inspect the cloth, etc.

- f. Preliminary Shop (Prigotovitelnyy Tsekh). This shop prepared the thread coming from the spinning factory, or from other plants, for the actual weaving. The shop contained the following machines: ten to twelve winding machines (Motalnye) for winding the thread,—four women serviced one winding machine; nine to ten Warping machines (Osnovalnye) for rewinding the thread,—two women serviced one warping machine, ten to twelve finishing machines (Shlikhtovalnye) where the thread was starched to make it firmer and prevent frequent tearing.—two women serviced each finishing machine; ten to twelve testing machines (Proverochnye) where the thread was tested before being placed on the looms,—two women serviced one testing machine. About 150 employees, mostly women, worked at each shift in the preliminary shop. All above mentioned machines were new, Soviet-made machines.
- g. Finishing and sorting shop (Brakovochnyy). This shop had three measuring machines, each serviced by three women. There were also twenty long tables, where the cloth was folded by hand, sorted, and inspected. Between 200 to 250 people worked in this shop at each shift. The folded cloth bolts were then taken to the finishing factories, shown as point 9 above.
- Point 16. Restaurant. A one-story, red brick building, approximately 50 maters long and 20 meters wide, which seated about 200 people. This restaurant was only for employees of the weaving factory who ate meals in staggered shifts. The other factories of the Kalinin Cotton Combine were served by a separate restaurant near the finishing factories. (point 9, page 16).
- Point 17. New construction. This building was scheduled to be a new spinning factory for the combine. Started in the spring of 1956, it was completed in November 1956

 It was a four story 50X1-HUM building, accommodating enough spinning machines to supply the needs of the 3500 weaving looms of the combine.

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Products

- 10. The weaving factory produced: Cotton cloth for underwear and bedlinen, 60 centimeters and 80 centimeters wide. There were three types of cotton cloth: Numbers 592, 598 and 603. Calico, No. 378, was used for dresses and blouses. Sateen was produced for making dresses, blouses, housecoals, and underwear. All the above-mentioned fabrics were produced in 40 meter bolts and were natural ecru color. These fabrics were bleached, or dyed/printed in the combine finishing factory.
- 11. Calico No. 378 was 80 centimeters wide, woven of basic yarn No. 40, woof yarn No. 60, and had a filler count of 2380 per meter. The filler count consisted of the number of threads running at a 90 degree angle (vertical) to the selvage. These threads were called woof yarn, (Utok), 50X1-HUM whereas the threads running parallel to the selvage were called basic yarn, (Ounovnyy). Cotton cloth No. 592 was 60 centimeters wide, woven of basic yarn 30 to 40, woof yarn 60, and had a filler count of 2750 per meter. Cotton cloth No. 598 was 80 centimeters wide, woven of basic yarn 30 40, woof yarn 60 70, and had a filler count of 2830 per meter. Cotton cloth No. 603 was 1.42 meters wide, woven of basic yarn No. 40, woof yarn No. 60, with a filler count of 2560 per meter, and was used for bedlinen. Sateen was 80 centimeters wide, woven of basic yarn 24 50, woof 60 to 85, and had a filler count of 4330 per meter.
- 12. Of the 3500 weaving locas in the weaving factory, 1500 locas were assigned to calico production, 300 to cloth No. 592, 600 to cloth No. 598, 500 to cloth No. 603, and 600 to sateen. The thread used in weaving was mostly basic 40, woof 60, but it varied from No. 24 to No. 85, the finer the thread, the denser the filler count.
- 13. The cotton combine received cloth from other factories for dyeing and printing, and produced, in addition to the cutput of the weaving factory described above, also flammel, and shtapel. Shtapel was a dress cloth made of cotton, rayon and artificial silk, 50X1-HUM similar to nylon. A square paper label marked "Kalininskiy KH/B Kombinat Proletarks" stating the length, type, and production number of the cloth, was attached to each finished bolt of material. These bolts were wrapped in white or light blue paper

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14. The bedlinen and underwear cloth produced by the combine were for civilian as well as for military use.

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15. The combine received cotton from the middle Asian USSR, such as: Kirgiz, Tadshik, Turkmen and Umbek SSR's. Other raw materials were dyes, chemicals, starches, paper, wood and coal. Also, the combine received spun cotton 50X1-HUM thread from the Kalinin Spinning-Weaving Factory imeni Vagzhanov, and one or two spinning factories in the Kalinin Chlast, The combine received woven flanmel and shtapel for dyeing/printing from the Kalinin Shelkovyy Kombinat (Kalinin Silk Combine),

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	flannel and shtapel, arrived by rail. However, as the railroad line we about one-half kilometer from the combine, all materials had to be load into trucks, and brought to the combine area.	.ed.
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	<u>Utilities</u>	
1 6.	The combine had pumping facilities to provide clear water for the blead dyeing and printing factories.	hing,
	dirty water and other waste were emptied into the Tmake	_5 ⁰ X1-HUM
	River at a point near the vehicle and pedestrian bridge, shown as item page 16.	
17.	as point 5, page 15 . The combine itself had no generators or turbin	
	or a transformer station. The electrical supply, which was 220 volts, was adequate for the combine needs, and there were very few electric	
	failures, i.e. once or twice a month for a period not exceeding one hou	r.
	Crating and Transportation Facilities	
18 .	The finished bolts of cloth were packed in big wooden boxes, which were stamped with the factory name 'Kalininskiy KH/B Kombinat Proletarka'.	50X1-HUM
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19 .	railroad shunting line which branched off from the main railroad line,	\Box
	arrived by rail for the combine was unloaded at the point where the	[£] 50X1-HUM
	single track railroad line branched off from the main Leningrad-Moscow railroad line, and was taken from there by truck to the combine. The railroad was of the standard Soviet gauge.	
20 .	The combine did not have any special roads. The north side of the weaving factory was located on Prospekt Kalinina, an asphalt street,	
	12 to 15 meters wide (See point 1, page 16). The southern side of	
	the weaving factory was located on a dirt road, about five meters wide. Another dirt road, also five meters wide, led to the spinning, finishing	g a n d
	storage buildings. (See point 12, page 16). All outgoing production shipped by truck.	Was
	The combine had no water transportation.	 50X1-HUM
	Manufacturing Process	
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	follows:	
	a. The combine received raw cotton brought to the spinning factory by	
	truck. (See point 11, page 16) The cotton was then taken int	o 50X1-HUM
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average actual production of the weaving shop was from 92,000,000 to 95,000,000 meters annually. In 1953, the weaving shop had only 600 old, mechanical weaving locus, and the actual annual production was about 12 to 15,000,000 meters which was below the norm prescribed by the Ministry. In

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1954 more weaving looms were installed, and

production in 1954 to be 40 to 50,000,000 meters of cloth, which was also below the norm prescribed by the Ministry.

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about 100,000,000 meters of cloth should have been woven by the weaving factory. The original norm was determined by the planning section of the Ministry of the Textile Industry (or, in 1953 and 1954, by the Ministry of light Industry) and was based on the total number of employees in the combine. This norm was sent to the planning section of the combine. The planning section of the combine then worked out a norm for each of the factories in the combine. The norm was usually about 90 percent of the actual production, made purposely lower than the actual possible output, so that the employees could fulfill the norm or overfulfill it.

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While the thickness of the thread did not play a particularly important role, the finer thread (varying from No. 24 to No. 85) tore more frequently, thus slowing down the production. The finer the thread, the denser the filler count, and thus the production was less. The narrow width cloth was produced in greater quantity than that of greater width.

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following figures, were close to the actual norm and production statistics: Norm per loom: (Depending on conditions cited above)
Average three meters per hour. The loom was in operation 23 hours daily, thus producing 23 x three meters, or in round figures, 70 meters daily.
Multiplied by 3500 looms, the daily norm was 245,000 meters and the annual norm was about 75,000,000 meters. The actual production in 1955 and in 1956 was: Average three and one-half to four meters per loom, 86 to 87 meters daily for each loom, or about 300,000 to 305,000 meters daily for all three shifts on 3500 looms. The annual production was, as stated above 92 to 95,000,000 meters. This production was divided (the basic norm for the division was also given to the combine by the planning section of the Textile Ministry) as follows:

a.	Calico	42 to 45,000,000 meters	(on 1500 looms)
b.	Cotton cloth No. 592	8,000,000 meters	(on 600 looms)
c.	Cotton cloth No. 598	20,000,000 meters	(on 600 looms)
đ.	Cotton cloth No. 603	10,000,000 meters	(500 wide looms)
e.	Sateon	12,000,000 meters	(on 600 looms)
t.	Total	92 to 95,000,000 meters	(on 3500 looms)

produced by 3500 employees of the weaving factory.

The director, office and administrative personnel, mechanics, the workers in the weaving shops, sorting shop, inspectors, cleaning women, men to push

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	the handbarrows, guards, packers, etc., were included in
	factory. the number of employees (3500) of the combine weaving
25.	In the office 10 women figured a norm for each 50X1-HUM employee, and kept records of the actual amount of cloth produced by each weaver and by each shift, and the total production in the preliminary, weaving and sorting shops.
	Work Schedule
26	The combine worked three shifts, and all those who worked on three shifts alternated, one week at each shift. The morning shift was from 0700 to 1530 hours, with one-half hour staggered lunch period. The second shift was from 1530 to 2400 hours, with one-half hour staggered lunch period. The night shift was a straight seven hours, without lunch, from 2400 to 0700 hours. The directors, administrative and office personnel, the pattern designers and the mechanics engaged in overhauling (in contrast to the preventive maintenance mechanics; who worked in three shifts), worked one shift only, from 0900 to 1800 hours with a staggered lunch hour, some from 1200 to 1300 hours, some from 1300 to 1400 hours. The weekly work schedule was 48 hours, except for the night shift, which worked only 42 hours.
	a seven hour workday in 1957, and all three shifts would work seven hours, with an hour for lumch for each shift.
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27 - (*	of the total number of employees in the whole Kalinin Cotton Combine, the combine employeed from 7500 to 50X1-HUM 8000 people the weaving factory alone had 3500 employees, of which about 100 worked on one shift only (See para. 21 above), whereas the rest worked on three shifts. See legend for plant layout, point 15 - e, f, and g, pages 5 & 6 for breakdown. In addition there were mechanics, loaders, guards, supervisory personnel for each shift.
8	The combine director, the factory directors, shop managers, and shift supervisors received four weeks leave with pay annually. Office personnel received three weeks leave with pay annually, while the rest of the employees received 15 days leave with pay annually. An eleven-months employment period was required before a worker was eligible for leave. Charts were kept for leave to stagger leave periods and alternate the annual leave periods from summer to winter.
	Salaries
29	the following salaries: Chief of planning section - basic pay 1200 rubles monthly, with a bonus of from 500 to 600 rubles each month as production inducement pay. This incentive pay depended not so much on the quantity of production, but also upon the smooth functioning of the section. All employees who were on a straight salary received such incentive pay each month. Weavers worked on a piece basis, so much per meter, but they were paid a higher rate for the same meter if they produced more than their norm.
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	Monthly Pay	Monthly Incentive Pay
Shift supervisor	1000 rubles	500 - 700 rubles
Norm statistician	1000 rubles	300 - 500 rubles
Pattern designers	1000 rubles	unknown
Piece workers	average regular pay monthly	Extra if norm was overfilled (monthly)
Weavers	800 rubles	100 rubles
Spinners	800 rubles	50 - 100 rubles
Bleachers, dyers, pri	nters 700 rubles	50 - 100 rubles
Packers, sorters	650 - 700 rubles	50 rubles

Work Conditions

Once monthly the murse gave a 15 minute lecture on safety during lunch hour. The skylight roof provided the shop with sufficient light. The shop was also provided with heat, dressing rooms, lavatories etc. The only uncomfortable working condition in the weaving shop was the excessive hundrity, which averaged 75-80 percent. This artificially controlled hund atmosphere was necessary to prevent the thread from being torn during the weaving process.

Security

At the entrance of the weaving factory (See point 15a), a female guard checked passes of all personnel. Two male guards were always on duty at the loading area shown as point 15g. There were also two guards posted at the entrance to the finishing factories, and several guards were assigned to the storage area (See point 10, page 16). All guards were civilian clothes, and were unarmed.

All employees had to show their passes upon entering and leaving the building in which they worked. If an employee wanted to enter another building, he had to apply for a special pass. This pass, stating the employee's business in the other building, was issued on a temporary basis. As a rule, employees entered only the buildings in which they worked.

32. The combine had a fire engine and several firemen were always on duty.

Also, hand fire extinguishers were located at various fire points in each building.

the combine had no civil defense installations or instruction 50X1-HUM programs.

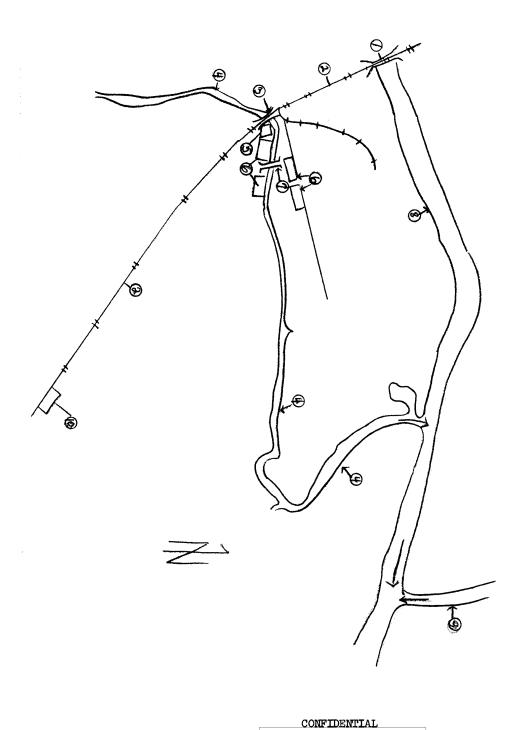
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	Director and	his secretary			
	Right Shop managers (preliminary, weaving, finishing and sorting sections)				
	Twenty-four shift supervisors (Three to each of the above eight shops)				
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Overlay, showing the location of the Cotton Combine "Proletarka" (Kalinin)
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